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COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM IN U.P.
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the communications system in Uttar Pradesh is poor as compared to the other States;
- (b) if so, the reasons therefor;
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to improve the communications system in the State; and
- (d) the amount spent on the development of communications system in the State during 2000-01, 2001-02 and 2002-03?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRIMATI SUI MAHAJAN)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) The steps taken to further improve the communication system in Uttar Pradesh are:-

- All exchanges have been converted into electronic.
- Reliable media has been provided.
- Introduction of Interactive Voice Response System (IVRS) based centralised fault booking at Short Distance Charging Centre (SDCC).
- 5 pair cables are being laid.
- Replacement of telephone instruments having completed expiry period in phased manner.
- Wireless in Local Loop (WLL) technology is being used for providing telephone connections.

(d) The amount spent on the development of communication system in the state during the last three years is given below:-

Sl No.	Year	Expenditure (in Crores)
1	2000-01	1202.13
2	2001-02	958.37
3	2002-03 (up to Feb., 2003)	911.78